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Dear Mike,

Once again in haste to be able to make the only outgoing mail before Monday, and with apologies, an oped-page submission.

I've also developed new problems in vision, for which I have an appointment at Wilmer on Monday, not that my typing was not bad enough without it, so I'm writing this while my wife reads it to see if I caught all the typos, before driving to the mailbox with it.

What I say now is not intended to influence your thinking and I believe that were I to try that you'd spot it and properly would resent it.

I was more aghast at what Heichler submitted than anything I can remember.

I'm sure you will notice that I wrote nothing about what he said about Israel. I close to entirely addressed what I found so thoroughly objectionable.

I am aware that it is a bit long, as I think his also was. If you want to cut it, please do so. I do not have time to rewrite it and frankly if I did I found this so abhorent I would not want to go over any of it again. You need not, of course, agree.

This and your invitation to submit more leads me to want to have a better understanding of your parameters. For that I'd like to be able to speak to you when you will not be interrupted and without what is now a challenge to me, if not also a bit of a hazard, all those stairs.

So, if you go out for lunch, there is what we regard as an excellent and different restaurant close to your office, an easy walk or no parking problem, the Hana oriental restaurant behind Delphey's, next to the courthouse. The owners have become friends and not infrequently they give us a few Korean dishes we've come to like very much. They have some fine imported beers and at least one Japanese wine we like very much. And there is nothing the average American should consider farout on the regular menu.

If this is agreeable, they are closed Mondays and I can make it just about any day and on short notice.

On another subject of which I was reminded by today's story, on the teaching of JFK assassination conspiracy theories at the Mount, I think that now that the new Hood library is nearing completion, ~~I think~~ you may find a good story in it and what it will make possible that was not possible locally before. Charles Kuhn is the librarian.

I do have what might be regarded as personal interests in this. All I have will go to it, no quid pro quos, and a not inconsiderable amount is already there and in use by the students, who have done some fine papers on these records in independent studies. The students love working with raw materials and reaching their own interpretations and conclusions rather than being restricted to those of others. and by means of some marvellous

new electronic gadgetry that is a mystery to me they plan to make it all available to all other such institutions.

Jerry McKnight teaches a course in political assassination, not as whodunits but as history and government. I have two seminars that are open to anyone. The first on JFK, beginning this time on Oswald, is October 15. The second, on the King assassination, is november 42. Both begin at 6 p.m. I'm sure that now Jerry McKnight will cut it off after two hours because of my health but in the past they have lasted much longer, with what to me is an impressive maturity and understanding reflected by the students.

I say "beginning with Oswald" because there are no restrictions and the students are free to ask whatever interests them.* I never know that until they ask questions.

It is very informal. Sometimes the students prepare refreshments some of which, prepared by slightly older continuing ed students, have been rather good.

Best wishes,

Harold

*Also any non-students who are present.